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- ☒ Amendment
- ☒ Transmittal

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In re Application of: Steven D. Goedeke et al.
For: AUTOMATIC VOICE AND DATA RECOGNITION FOR IMPLANTED MEDICAL DEVICE
Serial No.: 09/731,178
Filed: December 6, 2000

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 I hereby certify that this Amendment and Transmittal and the paper(s), as described herein are being sent to telefacsimile No. (703) 872-9314, Art Unit 2854, Attn: Examiner Smits, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 18th day of August, 2003.

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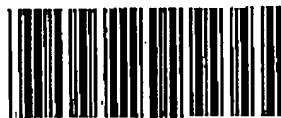
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☒ AMENDMENT

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for one-months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$_____ for the _____ fee.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the Office Communication dated August 21, 2003, indicating a Non-Compliant Amendment. Applicants hereby resubmits the earlier filed Response with the requested changes. The earlier Response addressed mailed April 10, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as indicated on the attached pages and consider the following remarks.